Credit to ET&T against dead inventories

2355. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a act that the bankers for Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation Limited have extended credit to the Corporation dead inventories; and

(b) the details of loans alongwith the interest paid during the last three years and the corrective action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the detais of loans and interest paid by the ET&T during the last three years are as follows:

Rs. in lakh s

Year	Loan	Interest
1990-91	976.87	193.74
1991-92	1232.41	199.77
1992-93	785.01	168.38

Financial iregularitits in ET&T

2356. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation Limited, had grumbled the accounts during the year 1991-92 to show profit;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the profit of Rs. 7 lakhs as on 31st March, 1992 was shown inspite of the fact that the provisional accounts till 31st March, 1992 showed a net loss of Rs. 4.50 crores: and

(c) whether it is also a fact that during 1992-93, the ET&T prepared a balance sheet showing profit of Rs. 13 lakhs by suppressing facts and figures and later on a factual balance sheet was prepared showing a loss of Rs. 4.41 crores?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) It is a fact that the ET&T has made a profit of Rs. 7.51 lakhs for the year ending 31-3-92. The provisional accounts were rough estimates only which have been corrected in the final accounts as per actual figures.

(c) ET&T prepared their accounts for the year 1992-93 anticipating certain changes in the accounting policies. These proposed changes in according policies were, however, not approved by the Board of ET&T. Therefore, the same had not been given effect and consequently accounts were made without those changes in the accounting policies. There was no suppression of facts and figures.

ET&T running into losses

2357. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation Limited is running into losses for the second consecutive year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that inspite of running into losses, the Corporation has spent a lot of money on purchase of artificial plants etc. without purchase procedures; and

(c) if so, the details of amount spent and the corrective action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) ET&T, as a part of office upkeep, purchased some artificial plants amounting to Rs. 23,000/- approximately for its office premises at Akbar Hotel Annexe and Malcha Marg, New Delhi during the year 1993-94 after following the proper purchase proedure.

(c) Does not arise.

Anomalies in the appointment of contractors by ET&T

2358. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation Limited has employed a consultant in the Corporation for the maintenance of office;

(b) the details of amount of remuneration so far paid to the contractor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that contractor has been working for the past five years and the appointment was made without adopting tender procedure;

(d) whether it is also a fact that contractor has close link with the Chief Executive of the Corporation;

(e) whether it is also a fact that the Corporation deputes the employees of this contractor at the residence of the Directors and Chief Executive for maintenance; and

(f) what are the corrective action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir. ET&T Corporation Ltd. has only engaged contractors for cldeaning and maintenance of offices/building of the Corporation and also for security.

(b) An annual amount of Rs. 5,67,168.00 has been paid for the cleaning and maintenance and Rs. 8,50,716.00 for security services.

(c) Both the contractors are working for the last 5 years and they were engaged after following proper tender procedure.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The contractors are deputing the required persons for maintenance and Security of various offices and other building including the residential flats owned by the Corporation and occupied by the Directors.

(f) Does not arise.

Legisation for development of small scalt industries

2359. SHRI KRISNAN LAL SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no well-defined framework for the growth and development of small scale industries in the country;

(b) whether Government propose to enact a legislation embodying definition, objectives and development of small scale industries and areas of protective support; and

(c) if so, by when such a legislation will be enacted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The legislative framework for the small scale industries is governed by the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951, wherein the definition of small scale industries and reservation of products for manufacture by small scale industries are covered.